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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EAGR ETRD BR IN CO  
SUBJECT: CFTC REQUEST FOR COFFEE INFORMATION

REF: (A) FASTO CIRC 303 (B) BRASILIA 6415

1. TRADE SOURCES IN RIO DE JANEIRO, SAO PAULO, AND SANTOS QUERIED BY CONGEN RIO EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT INTERBRAS WS THE ONLY BRAZILIAN TRADING COMPANY BUYING COFFEE IN THE LONDON TERMINAL OR THE NEW YORK COFFEE AND SUGAR EXCHANGE. THE COFFEE TRADE HAS NO DEFINITE FIGURES ON THE QUANTITY OF COFFEE PURCHASED BY INTERBRAS BUT THE TRADE ESTIMATES THAT INTERBRAS PURCHASED 2 TO 3 THOUSAND METRIC TONS OF ROBUSTA COFFEE IN LONDON AND 70 TO 100 THOUSAND BAGS OF ARABICA IN NEW YORK. ACCORDING TO THE GAZETA MERCANTIL OF JULY 28, INTERBRAS CONFIRMED THE PURCHASE OF 2,500 TONS OF ROBUSTA COFFEE IN LONDON IN EARLY JULY AND 80,000 BAGS OF SALVADOREAN COFFEE IN NEW YORK.

2. THE TRADE IS UNANIOUS IN BELIEVING THAT ALL THSES PURCHASES ARE FOR SEPTMBER DELIVERY, BUT INTERBRAS REPORDEDLY CLAIMS THAT

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ALL ITS PURCHASES HAVE BEEN PHYSICAL COFFEE RATHER THAN FUTURES CONTRACTS(JORNAL DO BRASIL AUGUST 5).

3. THE AUGUST 5 ESTADO DE SAO PAULO AND JORNAL DO BRASIL REPORT THAT INTERBRAS IS FINALIZING THE PURCHASE OF A "CONSIDERABLE" AMOUNT OF COFFEE FROM INDONESIA. MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE CALMON DE SA REPORTEDLY HAS NOT REJECTED THE POSSIBILITY

THAT BRAZIL COULD BUY COLOMBIAN COFFEE, BUT HE SAID THAT SUCH PURCHASES "WERE NOT IMMINENT." (JORNAL DO BRASIL AUGUST 4). SUBSEQUENTLY, IBC PRESIDENT CALAZANS GAVE STRONG IMPRESSION THAT BRAZIL WOULD INDEED PURCHASE AN UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT OF COLOMBIAN COFFEE (ESTADO DO SAO PAULO, AUGUST 5).

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF ABOVE INFORMATION IS SUFFICIENT FOR CFTC NEEDS, KEEPING IN MIND THE DIFFICULTY OF OBTAINING RELIABLE INFORMATION ON THIS SUBJECT.(SEE REFTEL B.)  
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